

REMARKS

In response to the Office Action mailed April 8, 2005, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration.

In the Office Action, claims 6, 12, 19, 24, 29 and 35 were indicated as including allowable subject matter, but objected as being dependent upon a rejected based claim. The Office Action indicated that each of these claims would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of their base claims and any intervening claims. Applicants have sought to rewrite these claims in independent form, and to cancel or amend each of the other pending claims to depend from one of the rewritten claims. Therefore, it is believed that the application is now in condition for allowance.

While Applicants have made every effort to rewrite the claims in independent form including subject matter that the Examiner has indicated as being allowable, the Examiner is respectfully requested to not rely upon Applicants' representation in this regard, and to verify that each of the claims is in condition for allowance.

If the application is believed to not be in condition for allowance for any reason, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the number listed below to discuss any outstanding issues relating to the allowability of the application.

If this response is not considered timely filed and if a request for an extension of time is otherwise absent, Applicants hereby request any necessary extension of time. If there is a fee occasioned by this response, including an extension fee, that is not covered by an enclosed check, please charge any deficiency to Deposit Account No. 23/2825.

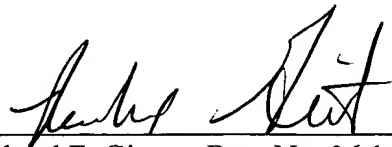
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